

Rao Bahadur T. V. Venkateswara Aiyar : Yes, Sir.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai : May I know, was it due to dearth of applications that more acres were not leased out for cultivation ?

Rao Bahadur T. V. Venkateswara Aiyar : Yes, Sir.

Import of cattle into Travancore from Cochin.

27. * **Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (Parur, Kunnathnad and Muvattupuzha cum Devicolum) :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether large numbers of cattle purchased by the agriculturists from the northern taluks of the State were detained by the Cochin Police and the purchasers arrested in the months of Edavom and Mithunam this year ;

(b) if so, under what grounds and authority were those arrests and detentions effected ;

(c) whether it was brought to the notice of Government ; and

(d) what action, if any, was taken by the Government on the same and with what result ?

Mr. P. G. Narayanan Unnithan (Excise Commissioner) :

(a) Some cattle purchased from Cochin and British Malabar are reported to have been detained by the Cochin Police when they were being taken through the Cochin State.

(b) For want of export permits under a notification issued by the Government of Cochin.

(c) yes.

(d) action is being taken to get the cattle released.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : In answer to part (a) of the question, may I know whether any purchaser was arrested during the course of transit of cattle ?

Mr. P. G. Narayanan Unnithan : The matter is under correspondence.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : My question is whether any purchaser was actually arrested at the time of purchase and transit of cattle ?

Mr. P. G. Narayanan Unnithan : Report of what happened has been called for.

Deep sea fishing.

28. * **Mr. K. M. Kesavan :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they have made any investigation with regard to the possibilities of deep sea fishing ;

(b) whether the investigations are over ;

[Mr. K. M. Kesavan.]

(c) if so, their results ; and

(d) if the results are favourable, whether they propose to start deep sea fishing ?

Rajyasevapravina C. V. Chandrasekharan (*Pro-vice-Chancellor*) : (a) They have considered the question but on account of war conditions no conclusions have been reached or are possible.

(b), (c) and (d) Do not arise in view of the answer to part (a).

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

TRAVANCORE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY BILL.

Mr. G. Narayana Iyer : Sir, I move that this Council do select an equal number of members for the Joint Select Committee on the Travancore Disposition of Property Bill. I understand that seven members have already been selected by the other House. Therefore I would also propose seven members from this House consisting of

Messrs.

N. Krishna Iyer

T. Krishna Pillai

T. Muhammed Ismail

James Fletcher

P. R. Godavarma Raja

M. Govindan. and

G. Narayana Aiyar

Mr. P. Bhuthalingom Pillai : I second it.

The motion that the formation of a committee with the above mentioned members be formed was put and carried.

Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai : (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*) : Sir, there are two Bills on the same subject. I think a resolution by this House is necessary to the effect that the two Bills may be Considered by the same Joint Committee.

President : Mr. G. Narayana Iyer can formally move a motion to that effect so far as his bill goes.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : I beg to move that the Bill introduced by me, in this matter may also be taken up for consideration at the Joint Select Committee.

Mr. James Fletcher : I second it.

The motion was put and carried.

THE TRAVANCORE KAMMALA (VISWAKARMA) BILL.

Mr. M. Govindan (*Nominated*) : Sir, I move "Anent the motion regarding the nine members selected from Sri Chitra State Council for the Joint Committee for the Kamr ala (Viswakarma)